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# LIVING WITH A STAR WORKSHOP

## COMMERCIAL SPACE SYSTEMS USER PERSPECTIVE

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# OUTLINE

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  - Commercial Telecommunications Space Systems.
  - Environment Models.
  - System Reliability and Availability.
  - Fault Tolerant Systems Engineering.
  - Validation and Verification of System Performance / Availability.
  - Importance of Testbeds in Validating Development Methodology.
  - Space Weather Support of Constellation Operations.
  - Conclusions.



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# COMMERCIAL SPACE SYSTEMS

|                         | Orbit Architecture    |        |               |                    |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------|---------------|--------------------|
|                         | GEO                   |        | MEO           | LEO                |
|                         | Regional              | Global |               |                    |
| Narrowband Systems      | ACeS (Asia)           |        | ICO           | ECCO/Constellation |
|                         | APMT (Asia)           |        |               | Ellipso            |
|                         | ASC/Agrani (Mid-East) |        | GMPCS Systems | Globalstar         |
|                         | EAST (Europe)         |        |               | Iridium            |
|                         | Satphone (Africa)     |        |               |                    |
|                         | Thuraya               |        |               |                    |
| Broadband Systems (BSS) | Astrolink             |        | Spaceway      | SkyBridge          |
|                         | CyberStar             |        |               |                    |
|                         | Expressway            |        |               |                    |
|                         | Spaceway              |        |               |                    |

New Satellite Telecommunications Systems

Broadband Satellite Systems

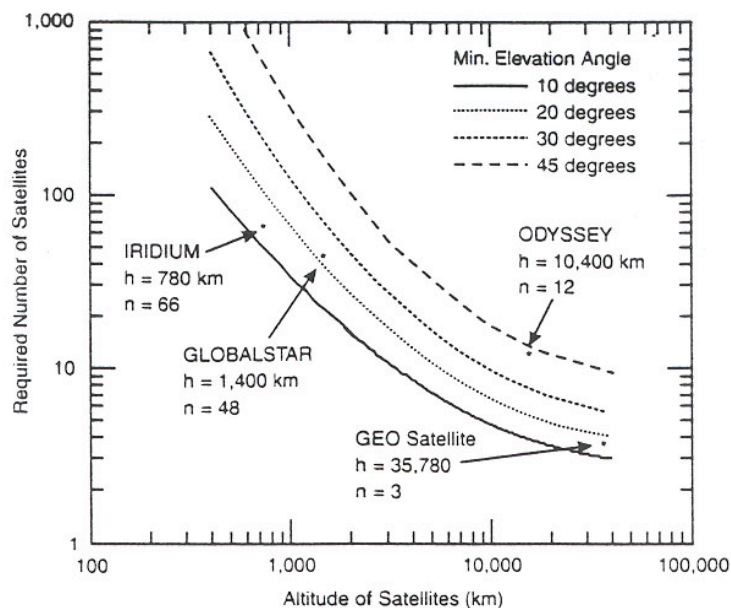
|                      | Satellite System | Communications Band | Lead Participants              | Number of Satellites |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Broadband GEO</b> | Astrolink        | Ka                  | Lockheed Martin                | 5 - 9                |
|                      | CyberStar        | Ka                  | Loral, Alcatel                 | 3                    |
|                      | Expressway       | Ku/V                | Hughes                         | 14                   |
|                      | Spaceway         | Ka                  | Hughes                         | 8                    |
| <b>Broadband MEO</b> | Spaceway         | Ka                  | Hughes                         | 20                   |
| <b>Broadband LEO</b> | SkyBridge        | Ku                  | Alcatel, Loral                 | 80                   |
|                      | Teledesic        | Ka                  | Motorola, Boeing, Gates, McCaw | 288                  |



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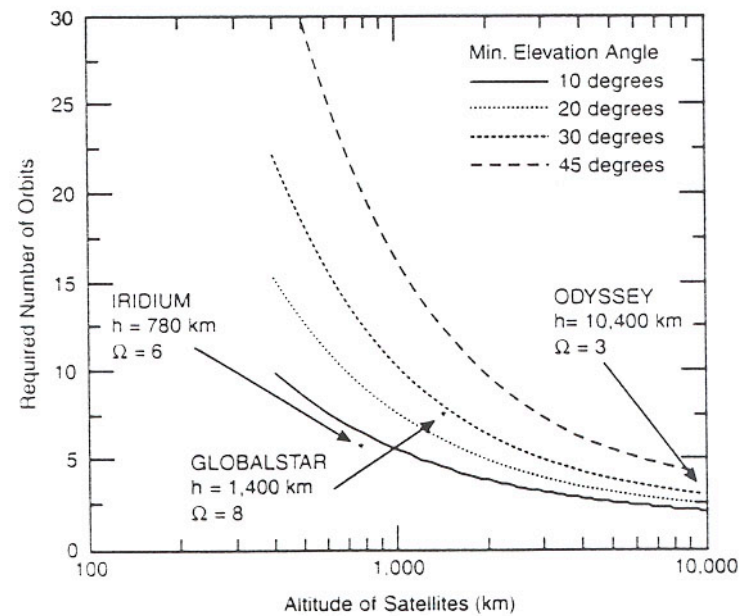
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# COMMERCIAL SPACE SYSTEMS



Number of Satellites for  
Global Coverage

## Number of Orbit Planes for Equatorial Coverage



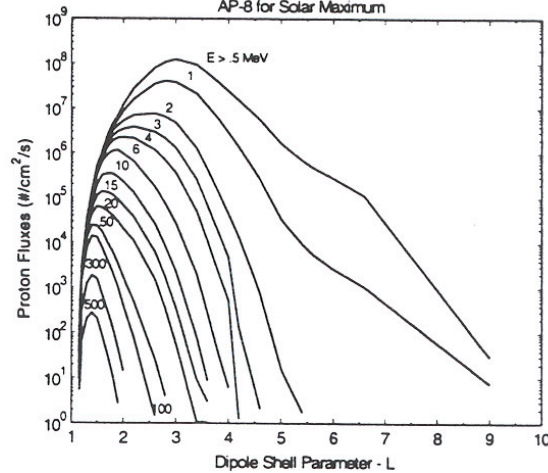


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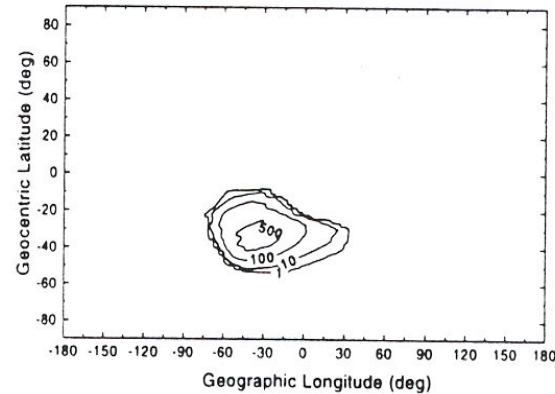
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# ENVIRONMENT MODELS

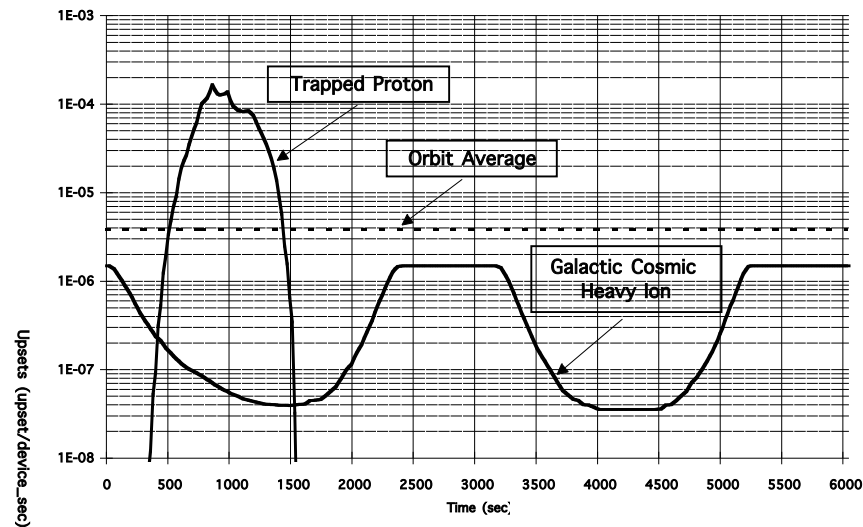
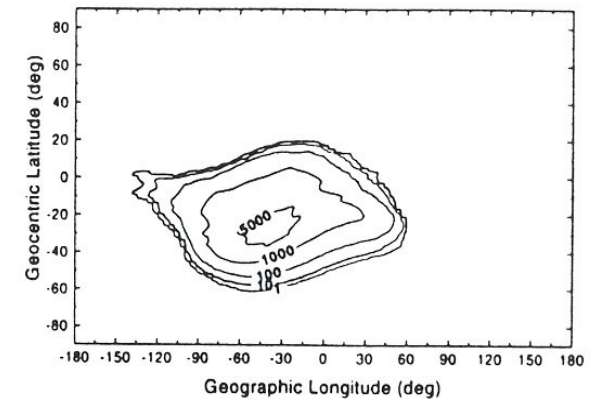
Omnidirectional Integral Proton Fluxes at Magnetic Equator  
AP-8 for Solar Maximum



Integral Proton Flux Contours for  $E > 30$  MeV ( $\#/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$ )  
Altitude = 500 km, Solar Maximum



Integral Proton Flux Contours for  $E > 30$  MeV ( $\#/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$ )  
Altitude = 1000 km, Solar Maximum





- **SYSTEM RELIABILITY AND AVAILABILITY**
  - Trends in Devices and Technologies Considered as Candidates for Satellite Applications.
    - Scaling is Producing Increased Total Ionizing Dose Tolerance.
    - Increased Availability of Thin-Epi in Manufacturers and Foundries.
      - Increased Availability of Single Event Latchup (SEL) Solutions.
    - Scaling Results in Increased Susceptibility to Single Event Upset (SEU).
      - Decreased Static Critical Charge.
      - Clock Frequencies Approaching Single Event Transient Lifetime.
  - Reliability.
    - $R(t) = e^{-\lambda t}$        $\lambda = 1 / MTBF$       *Mean Time Between Failure*
  - Availability.
    - $A = \mu / (\lambda + \mu)$        $\mu = 1 / MTTR$       *Mean Time To Detect and Recover*  
    $\lambda = 1 / MTBF$       *Mean Time Between Faults*



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# FAULT TOLERANT SYSTEMS

- **FAULT TOLERANT SYSTEMS ENGINEERING**

- Reduction in the Severity of the Environment.
  - Orbit Architecture.
  - Shielding.
- Reduction in Charge Generation and Collection.
- Elimination or Reduction in Circuit Response to Collected Charge.
- Informational Redundancy.
  - Error Detection and Correction Coding.
- Spatial and Temporal Redundancy.
- Fault Detection.
- Fault Containment.
- System Recovery.

**Fault  
Avoidance**

**Fault  
Masking**

**Fault  
Management**

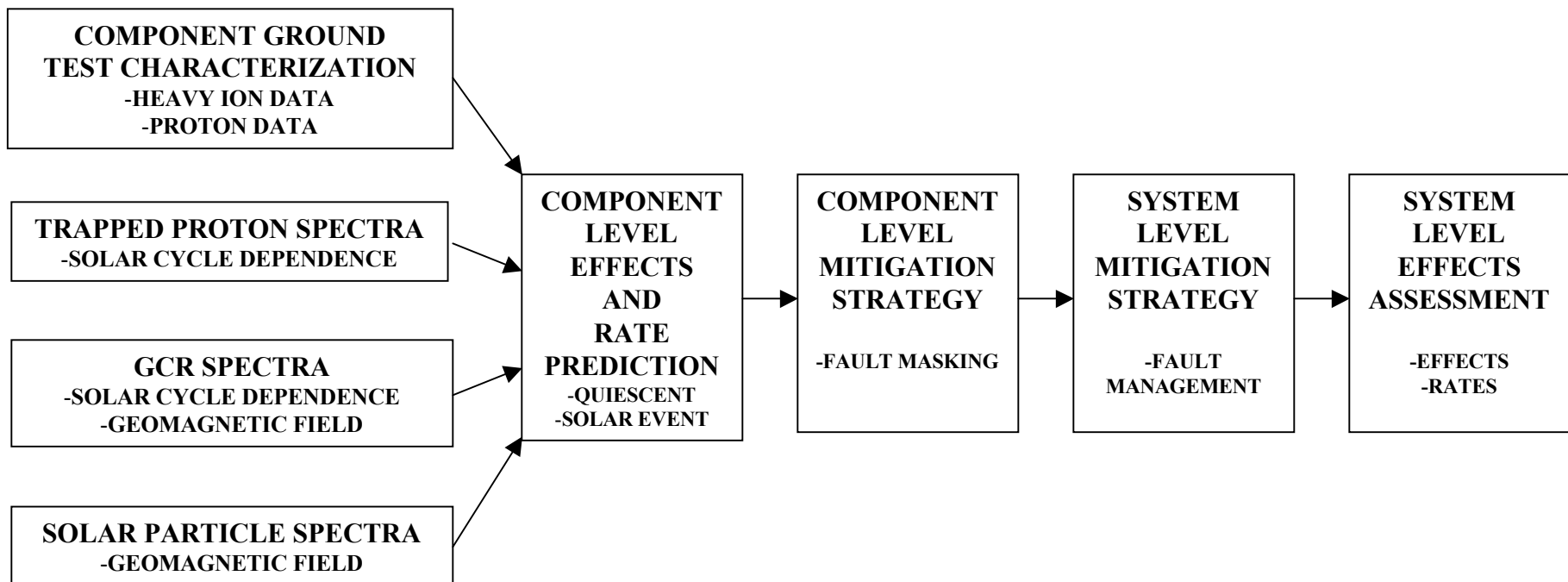


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# DEVELOPMENT METHODOLOGY

- VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION OF SYSTEM PERFORMANCE / AVAILABILITY





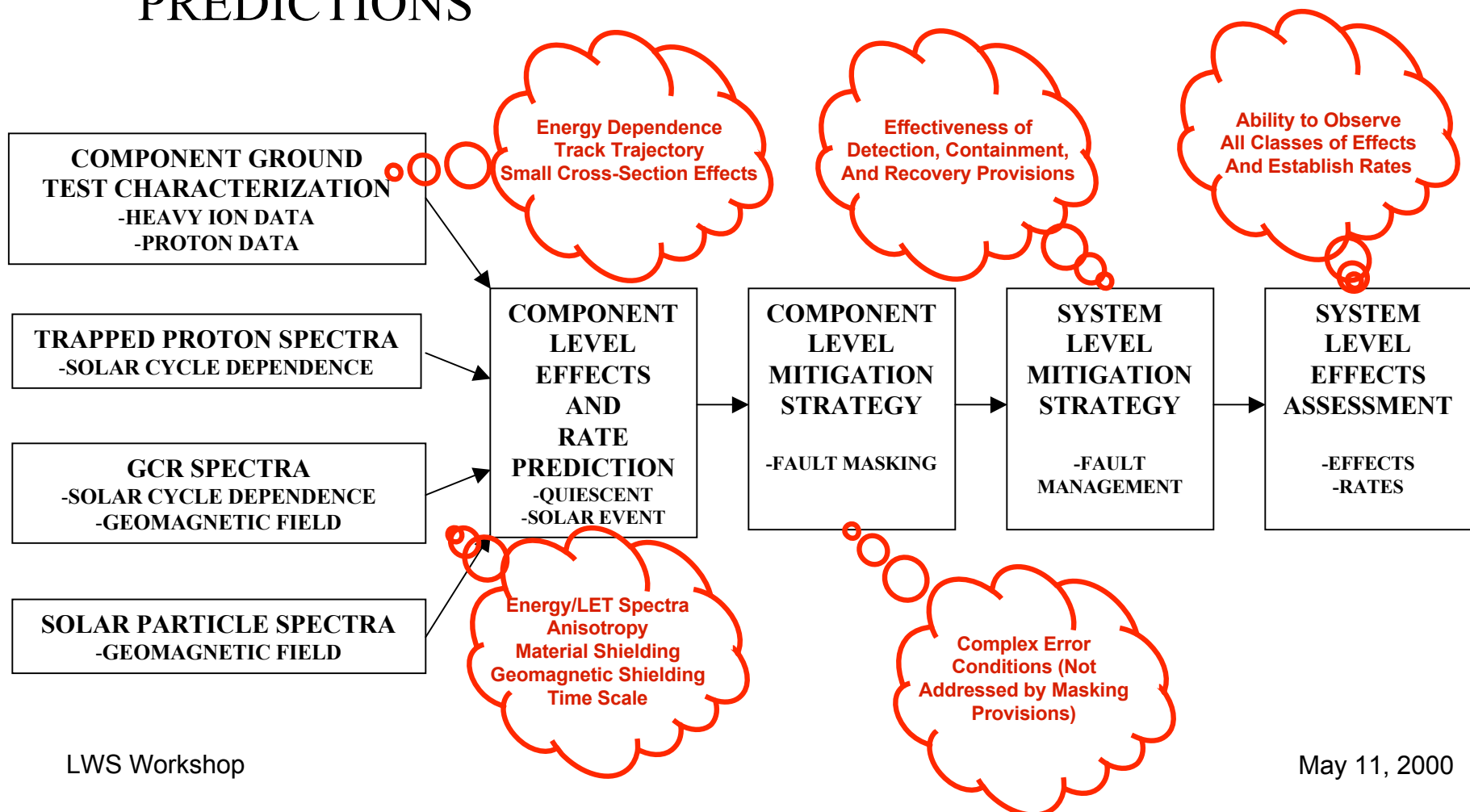


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# EFFECTS AND RATE PREDICTIONS

- UNCERTAINTIES IN EFFECTS AND RATE PREDICTIONS



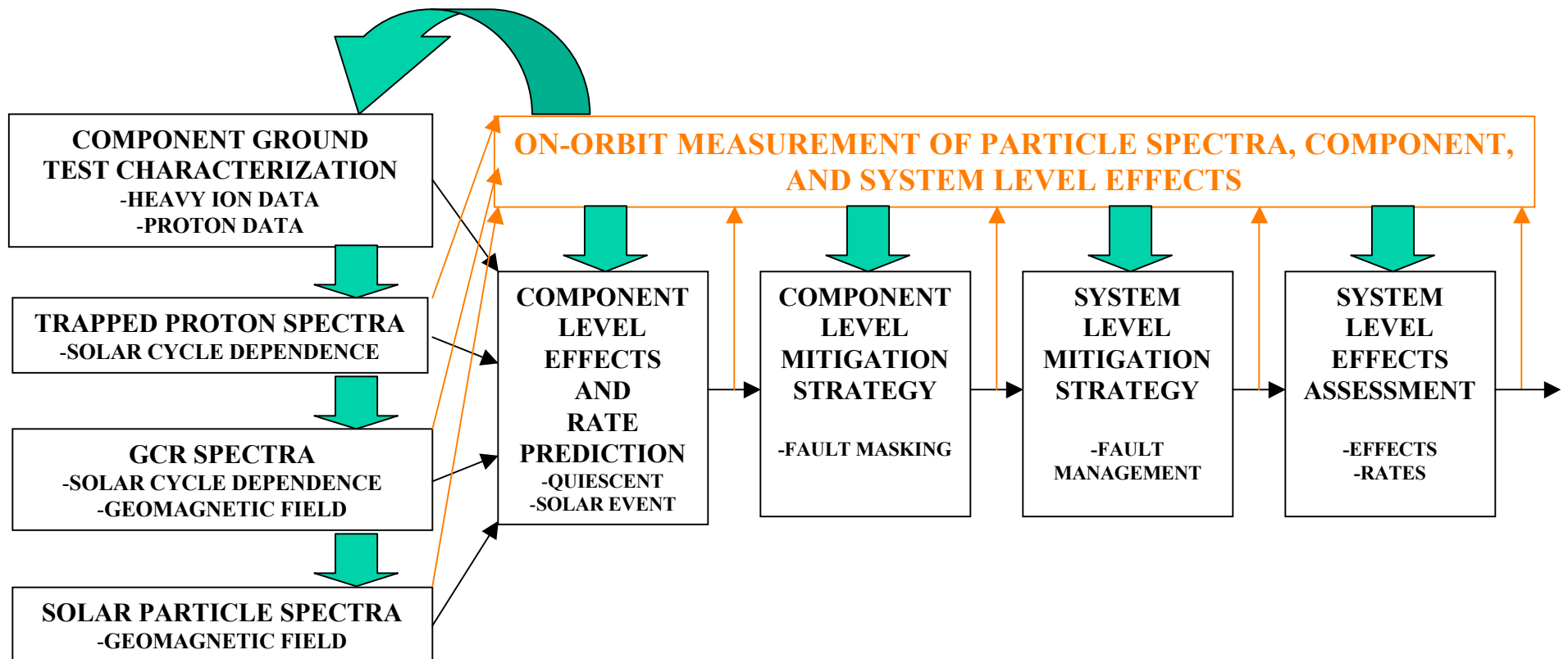


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# IMPORTANCE OF TESTBEDS

- IMPORTANCE OF TESTBEDS IN VALIDATING DEVELOPMENT METHODOLOGY





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# IMPORTANCE OF TESTBEDS

- COMPATIBILITY WITH OTHER ASPECTS OF THE ENERGETIC CHARGED PARTICLE ENVIRONMENT.
  - Spacecraft Charging.
    - Validate Design Guidelines and Mitigation Provisions.
    - Correlation With Episodes of Severity in the Environment.
- RETIRE THE RISK ASSOCIATED WITH UTILIZATION OF NEW AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES.
  - Environmental Effects and Mitigation Strategies.
  - High Bandwidth Optical Inter-Satellite Links In a Constellation Which Uses Ion Propulsion.
    - Boundary Layer Effects in Proximity of Spacecraft.



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# SPACE WEATHER

- SPACE WEATHER SUPPORT OF COMMERCIAL CONSTELLATION OPERATIONS
  - Predictive Warning of Impending Severe Conditions.
    - Defer Critical Mission Operations Until Severe Conditions Subside.
      - Orbit Station-Keeping Maneuvers.
      - Upload of Operating Software.
    - Safe Satellites Against The Anticipated Threat.
    - Add Engineering and Analysis Staff to Mission Operations Team to Support Recovery of Affected Satellites.



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# SPACE WEATHER

- SPACE WEATHER SUPPORT OF COMMERCIAL CONSTELLATION OPERATIONS
  - Real-Time Reports and Descriptive Climatology.
    - Investigation of Space Segment Anomalies.
  - Quantitative Assessments Require the Ability to Transport the Near Earth Environment Down to the Orbit of Interest.
  - Coordinated Access to Integrated Space Weather Product.



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- Energetic Charged Particle and Space Weather Related Inquiries.
  - I heard about increased solar activity today, what operational provisions should we employ?
  - F10.7 seems to correlate with this anomaly, what does that mean?
  - You predicted a specific rate, there seems to be a long term trend of decreasing single event upsets; what gives?
  - Day-to-day passes through the South Atlantic Anomaly show significant variance in the number of SEUs. Is this statistical variation due to the randomness of the SEU mechanisms, or is the environment severity really changing this much?
  - Should there be a difference in single event upset susceptibility for south-to-north versus north-to-south traverses through the SAA?
  - We have experienced several episodes of increased solar activity, CMEs, and geomagnetic disturbances and not observed significant effects in the system. Do we need to keep worrying about this?



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# CONCLUSIONS

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- Unknowns and Uncertainties in the Environment, Its Effects, and the Effectiveness of Mitigation Strategies Results in Added Design Margins.
  - Increased Size, Weight, Power, and Cost of Satellite Systems.
  - Reduced Operational Capabilities.
- Improved Understanding and Quantified Assessment of the Environment, Its Effects, and the Availability of Proven Mitigation and Fault Management Strategies and Techniques.
  - Enables Increased Operational Capability in Satellite Systems.
  - Space Environment Testbeds Provide the Increased Level of Knowledge.